

Health Alert Network Message 18-03: Clinical Measles Alert

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This is a message from the Louisiana Department of Health Emergency Operations Center (LDH EOC) to share a Health Alert Network (HAN) message regarding Clinical Measles from the Louisiana Office of Public Health for the state. Please share and distribute this Clinical Measles Alert with relevant stakeholders and partners through your own distribution channels.

Please read the attachment fully for the complete HAN message regarding clinical measles in Louisiana and actions to be taken to respond to suspected cases. Please see the highlights of reporting and specimen collection below which are outlined in the attached Clinical Measles Alert.

If you suspect measles, do the following immediately: 1. Promptly isolate patients to minimize disease transmission (See Management of Patients below). 2. Immediately report a suspect measles case to the Louisiana Office of Public Health Infectious Disease Epidemiology Hotline at 800-256-2748. 3. Obtain specimens for testing from patients with suspected measles. 4. Get specimen collection advice by calling 800-256-2748.

Again, please keep your practice vigilant, and immediately report any suspected case of measles immediately to the Louisiana Department of Health Office of Public Health Infectious Disease Epidemiology Hotline at 800-256-2748.